

**David Campbell to Andrew Jackson, January 25, 1802,
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DAVID CAMPBELL TO JACKSON.

Knox County, January 25, 1802.

. . . . Since the reception of your letter I have reflected on the subject of your being held up as a candidate for Major General. I must confess at first I had my doubts wheather your holding such an appointment would be consistant with the constitution or not but on examining the constitution, and consulting Governor Roane Judge Campbell and Col. Mc.Clung my doubts are nearly removed. Should you be held up as a candidate I shall use my influence as far as proper on your behalf. I expect some will object to the propriety of your holding the appointment, I think you will get a number of votes in this district, but how it will be in the upper I cannot so well Judge. I expect General Winchester or some body will take some pains to give information to these two districts of the conclusion in yours. Charles Mc.Clung was elected Col. of the Cavelry in this district a few day ago Hugh Montgomery is chosen Col. of Anderson County, Littlepage Sims is chosen Col. and James Gallaher and Reuben Smith Majors of Roane County McClung has returned home from North Carolina without doing any business, as the Assembly of that State refused the priviledge.